



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Applicant:

Edward O. Clapper

Serial No.: 09/840,670

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For: Generating Messages with  
Limited Keyboards

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Prior to receipt of an office action in the above-referenced case, please amend the application as follows:

Date of Deposit: May 7, 2004

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